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Mr. Paul E. Stacey
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Bureau of Water Protection and Land Reuse
Planning and Standards Division
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Dear Mr. Stacey:

I am writing in support of the Proposed Stream Flow Standards and Regulations. This upgrade to the current thirty-year old regulations is an important step in protecting water quality in rivers throughout the State. The improved regulations are an important step in managing stream flows that match natural flow patterns and protect river ecology. This will support the State's long term effort to improve wild spawning of salmon and support the environment for wild and native trout and other important aquatic species. The Proposed Regulations also limit the potentially destructive effects of groundwater pumping, while incorporating provisions which protect the public's right to water in the case of drought, for example.

In light of these and several other benefits to the environment, I hope these regulations will be enacted.

Sincerely,

Roger C. Bullard